The Krewe of Nereids

presents

Twenty-fifth Anniversary Bal Masque

SATURDAY EVENING, JANUARY 19, 1991
MISSISSIPPI COAST COLISEUM, BILOXI, MISSISSIPPI

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The Way We Never Were

PROLOGUE

An ANNIVERSARY is more than a milestone, it is a time to reflect on the past and all its happenings. For if we are to know our future, we but only have to remember 'our past'. Our future will be as glorious as our past . . . only if we make it so!

George Bernard Shaw
Irish Playwrite

TONIGHT . . . the Krewe members of NEREIDS share with you the special joy it is to celebrate a "SILVER ANNIVERSARY". It has been TWENTY-FIVE YEARS of outstanding accomplishments and achievements . . . from a humble beginning to a glorious reaching of the zenith. The CAPTAIN . . . OFFICERS and all KREWE MEMBERS . . . past and present . . . unite in their efforts to bring the joys of Mardi Gras to the Mississippi Gulf Coast. That was their GOAL and that has been their ACHIEVEMENT.

But, what about tonight's . . . CELEBRATION! Well, NEREIDS pondered long and hard for both a title and a theme to commemorate their "past". What to do? How to do it? So many options and so many opportunities! Then, in the final deliberation, it was decided to do a "TWIST" and offer a unique insight to CARNIVAL HAPPENINGS. So, tonight . . . with "tongue-in-cheek", the KREWE OF NEREIDS invites you to enjoy their tableaux, which presents "THEMES" they never did . . . in a cleverly-titled bal masque . . . "THE WAY WE 'NEVER' WERE!"

Our BANDSTAND comes musically alive, as we await our "SILVER ANNIVERSARY" overture . . . MAESTRO, IF YOU PLEASE!!

AS OUR BAL MASQUE UNFOLDS . . .

A. The CAPTAIN'S whistle signals the beginning of our TWENTY-FIFTH SILVER ANNIVERSARY SPECTACULAR CARNIVAL BALL . . . AS . . . WE WELCOME . . .

B. The ROYAL COURT of 1990 . . . recalling the nostalgia and magic of that land . . . OVER THE RAINBOW . . . in our music-filled fascinating presentation of . . . "NEREIDS VISITS OZ" . . .

C . All hail THEIR ROYAL MAJESTIES, our 1990 KING AND QUEEN . . .

D. Behold the SPOTTING of the CREST OF NEREIDS, as a prelude to our . . SILVER ANNIVERSARY TRIBUTE . . .

E. Recalling NEREIDS "NOSTALGIC PAST" . . . we present FORMER QUEENS of the COURT, escorted by FORMER KINGS . . .

F. Presenting the "FUTURE OF NEREIDS", as we introduce our charming . . . DAUGHTERS OF NEREIDS . . .

Miss Cynthia Ann Martinolich
Miss Karen Emilie Breath
Miss Dina Gerette Hitt
Miss Nancy Leigh Triche
Miss Kristy Lee Kidd
Miss Michelle Renee Strong
Miss Elizabeth Ann Gex
Miss Victoria Lynn Kimbrell
Miss Susan Elizabeth Treutel

G. Portraying the "CANDLES" on our ANNIVERSARY CAKE, our KREWE OFFICERS extend a "WELCOME TO THE BALL" as they are symbolic of . . . "NEREIDS PRESENT" . . .

H. Behold . . . in a unique "ANNIVERSARY" fantasy entrance . . . the CAPTAIN OF NEREIDS . . . who commands that the . . . "CELEBRATION" begin . . .

I. The REVELRY begins as . . . the KREWE MEMBERS reflect on "WHY" . . . they never danced in . . . JAMAICA . . .

J. The CAPTAIN calls for the ROYAL COURT whose MAIDS and DUKES PORTRAY CLASSICS FROM THE OPERA STAGE . . . because as you know, NEREIDS has "never" before gone to the "OPERA" . . .

From . . . VERDI'S glorious opera . . . "AIDA"
Our MAID . . . "AMNERIS", daughter of the King of Egypt
Her DUKE . . . "RHADAMES", Captain of the Guard

From . . . MOUSSORGSKY'S Russian opera . . . "BORIS GODOUNOV
Our MAID . . . "XENIA", daughter of Boris
Her DUKE . . . "BORIS", Councilor of Czar Feodor

From . . . GIACOMO PUCCINI'S oriental tribute . . . "TURANDOT"
Our MAID . . . The "PRINCESS TURANDOT"
Her DUKE . . . "PRINCE CALAF"

From . . . GUISEPPI VERDI'S love story . . . "LA TRAVIATA"
Our MAID . . . "VIOLETTA VALERY", a courtesan
Her DUKE . . . "ALFREDO GERMONT", her lover

From . . . ROSSINI'S comic opera . . . "THE BARBER OF SEVILLE"
Our MAID . . . "ROSINA", ward of Dr. Bartolo
Her DUKE . . . "COUNT ALMAVIVA"

From . . . GUISEPPI VERDI'S classic . . . "RIGOLETTO"
Our MAID . . . "GILDA", daughter of the Jester Rigoletto
Her DUKE . . . "THE DUKE OF MANTUA"

K. Hail QUEEN DORIS XXV, personifying the "SPIRIT OF OUR SILVER ANNIVERSARY" and reigning as . . . QUEEN OF OUR BALL . . .

L. HER ROYAL MAJESTY now calls for . . . the CAPTAIN to escort . . .

M. KING NEREUS XXV , who bids that his subjects enjoy with him . . . the "HAPPINESS" of this UNIQUE ANNIVERSARY SALUTE . . .

N. HONORED GUESTS are received at the REGAL THRONE . . . BEFORE . .

O. The ROYAL COURT in a "GRAND PROMENADE" . . . amid a KALEIDOSCOPE of MARDI GRAS MAGIC . . . in a wonderland of FANTASY and MAKE-BELIEVE!

P. The Krewe members have gone "SINGING" in many places, but never has the CAPTAIN led them to "SINGING IN THE RAIN" . . .

Q. In reflecting on the PAST . . . we're especially happy to say NEREIDS has gone to RIO . . HAWAII . . GREECE, but NEVER have they gone to JAIL . .

R. All take part in the "GRAND FINALE" . . . of our CELEBRATION . . . before . . . the "OFFICERS OF NEREIDS" take a final curtain call and give an "ANNIVERSARY SALUTE" to YOU, their honored guests . . . as . . .

S. The gracious and charming . . . CAPTAIN OF THE KREWE . . . bids you a nostalgic . . . "FAREWELL" . . . until we all meet again at next year's SUPER SPECTACULAR . . . NEREIDS BAL MASQUE EXTRAVAGANZA!

T. The "CALL-OUT DANCES" begin . . . after which . . . GENERAL DANCING adds to the happy excitement of our . . . sharing in . . .
"THE WAY WE 'NEVER' WERE"!

The Royal Court of

1991

King Nereus XXV

Dukes to His Majesty

MR. JOHN H. CHAPMAN
MR. JOHNNY L. KENDALL
MR. BARRY H. PINCUS
DR. RAY H. STEWART
MR. DAN M. YOUNG
MR. HANK RENKEN

Trainbearers to Her Majesty

MISS LAUREN MICHELLE HANSELL
MISS JACQUELINE ALICE MASSON
MISS JENNIFER RACHELE OLIVER
MISS TABITHA ERIN WILKINSON

Recollections

1967 - Cavalcade of American Dance
King Nereus I - Cornelius K. Herlihy *

1968 - Era of Laughter
King Nereus II - Merlin R. Markel

1969 - Carnival in Rio
King Nereus III - Henry Develle, Jr. *

1970 - Spirit of America
King Nereus IV - W. Ray Gordon *

1971 - Opening Nights
King Nereus V - James DeBlanc *

1972 - Three Ring Circus
King Nereus VI - Haskell L. Doyle *

1973 - Echoes of Famous Streets
King Nereus VII - John Gallagher

1974 - The Enchanted Toy Shop
King Nereus VIII - T. Dixon Ashman

1975 - The Jazz Age
King Nereus IX - David L. Johnson

1976 - Hawaii, The 50th State
King Nereus X - Lucien M. Gex, Jr.

1977 - State Fair
King Nereus XI - Vincent Schott

1978 - Ooooh La La, Paree!
King Nereux XII - Clifford P. Vogt *

1979 - Classic Greece
King Nereus XIII - Luke Caruso

1980 - Space Fantasy
King Nereus XIV - Robert W. Wyatt, Jr.

1981 - Fiesta! Fiesta!
King Nereus XV - Donald W. Diboll

1982 - The Adventures of Alice
King Nereus XVI - Arthur J. Chapman, III

1983 - Yankee Doodle Dandy
King Nereus XVII - Thomas W. Kidd

1984 - It's A Small World
King Nereus XVIII - Gerald C. Gex

1985 - Sunday in the Park
King Nereus XIX - Alvin G. Bernard

1986 - It's Mardi Gras Time
King Nereus XX - Harold M. Hitt

1987 - And So It Was ... Dixieland
King Nereus XXI - Joseph W. Gex

1988 - Entertainment, U.S.A.
King Nereus XXII - William B. Whitfield

1989 - Let's Rock 'N' Roll
King Nereus XXIII - Herbert T. Dubuisson

1990 - Nereids Visits Oz
King Nereus XXIV - Clarence L. Moran

* Deceased

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KREWE OF NEREIDS PARADE Sunday, February 3, 1991, 1:00 p.m. Highway 90, Waveland